GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SUPPLY OF BITUMEN TO ANDHRA PRADESH
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether public sector oil companies have stopped supplying Bitumen to users in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) If so, whether users of bitumen in Andhra Pradesh are being forced to purchase bitumen from distant areas;

(c) if so, the reasons for holding up road development work in rural areas in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d):- No Sir. Oil marketing companies are continuing the supplies of bitumen in Andhra Pradesh. Due to product availability constraints from the normal source of supply due to certain technical reasons, the availability of bitumen in Southern region was affected. The oil companies are maintaining supplies of bitumen, to Andhra Pradesh from alternate other sources to meet the demand.